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**Introduced by Senator Chesbro**

February 16, 2005

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An act to amend Section 23770 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to alcoholic beverages.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 310, as introduced, Chesbro. Wine industry: public warehouse license.

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Act imposes upon the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control the responsibility to administer and enforce state laws with respect to alcoholic beverages, including the implementation of alcoholic beverage licensing. The act requires every person operating or authorized to operate, as specified, a winery or wine cellar, as specified, to apply for, and hold, a winegrower's or wine blenders license, as appropriate for operations conducted on the licensed premises.

This bill would also include a public warehouse license as a license to apply for, and hold, as appropriate for operations conducted on the licensed premises.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 23770 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 23770. A winegrower's license, ~~or~~ a wine blender's license, *or*
- 4 *a public warehouse license*, whichever is appropriate to the
- 5 operations to be conducted on the licensed premises, shall be
- 6 issued only to, or held by, a person qualified to operate or

1 operating a winery or wine cellar bonded under the internal  
2 revenue laws of the United States. Every person operating, or  
3 authorized under the internal revenue laws of the United States to  
4 operate, a winery or wine cellar bonded under the internal  
5 revenue laws of the United States shall apply for, and hold, a  
6 winegrower's ~~or~~ license, a wine blender's license, *or a public*  
7 *warehouse license*, as may be appropriate for operations  
8 conducted on the licensed premises.

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